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A. The Siantar - Rantauparapat Road goes through the following towns:

(a) Pematang - Tanahdjawah

(b) Dolokmadjava

(c) Goenoengmariah

(d) Limapoeloe - where it joins the main road from Medan.

in ink on the map. It is impassable several times a year after a heavy rain between Siantar and Limapoeloe. Surface - some asphalt, some packed dirt.

2. Q. Please estimate in terms of fact the width of the roads described in this report.

A. No figures, but the average width permits two Plymouths (1951) to pass each other with about six inches to spare. When meeting a truck or bus, most US cars would have to get partially off onto the shoulder.

3. Q. What is the surface of the road between Sibolga and Padang?

A. Not known - have heard it is passable most of the year.

4. Q. Please indicate (on the enclosed WAC #920) which of the lateral roads running between the Medan - Rantauparapat Road and the Siantar - Rantauparapat Road are clay surfaced.

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A. [REDACTED]

(a) Road through: Laras Estate, Pematangbandar, Limopoeloe - has dirt surface supplemented with crushed rock. A good part of it runs through Laras Estate and is well maintained. There is one steel bridge recently built (one-way width). The road is passable year-round except after an unusually heavy rain. It is the quickest way to Rantauparapat from the Sorbalawan area, circled in ink.

(b) Road through: Bahbajoe - some asphalt but supposedly in worse shape than road I marked in ink.

(c) Road through: Boentoesimalong, Hoetabosar, Prapatdjandji - comparable to Road (b).

Conclusion: For transportation from Siantar to Rantauparapat the only foolproof route is to join the main route (Medan - Rantauparapat) at Tebingtinggi. This is an "all-weather" road and well kept up.

On file at the CIA Library, World Aeronautical Chart #920, Nias Island (Indonesia/Malaya) [REDACTED] showing routes described above.

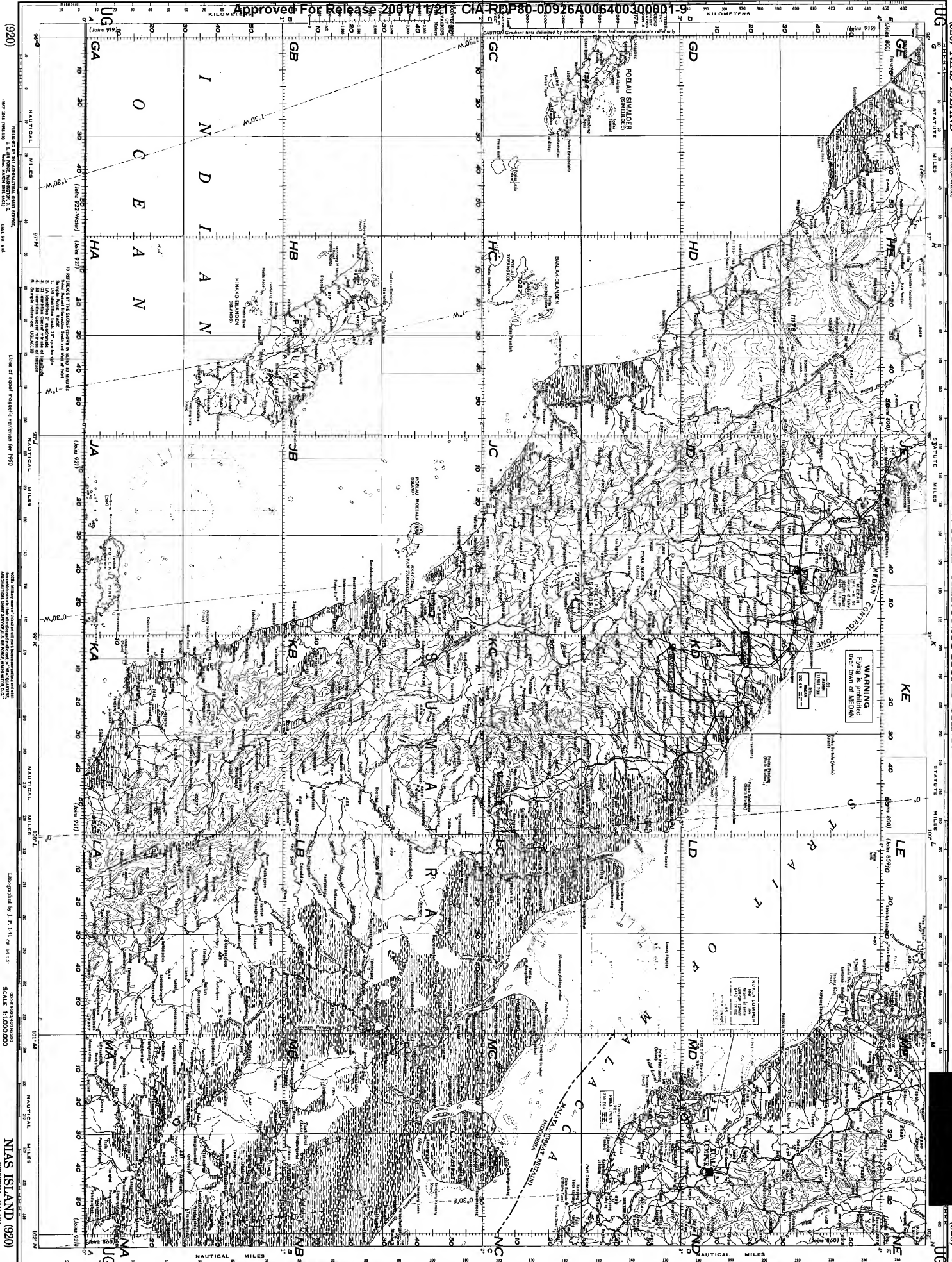
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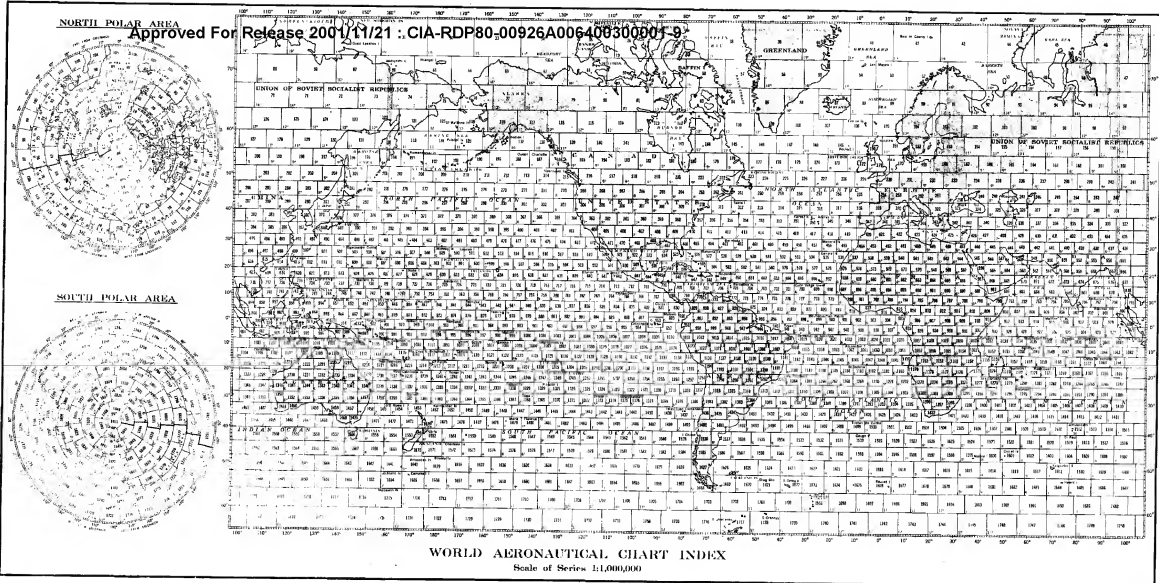
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AERONAUTICAL SYMBOLS

AERODROMES

1. AIRPORTS - CIVILIAN: Runway, taxiway, apron, etc.
2. AIRPORTS - MILITARY: Runway, taxiway, apron, etc.
3. AIRPORTS - COMBINED: Runway, taxiway, apron, etc.
4. AIRPORTS - OTHER: Runway, taxiway, apron, etc.

LANDING GROUNDS AND ANCHORAGE

1. Emergency Landing Ground with Landing Strip - Very limited or no facilities.
2. Emergency Landing Ground - Very limited or no facilities.
3. Sheltered Anchorage - Very limited or no facilities.

AIRFIELD DATA

1. Elevation in feet.
2. Minimum lighting obstruction, boundary or runway lights.
3. Maximum lighting obstruction, boundary or runway lights.
4. Maximum lighting obstruction, boundary or runway lights.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Mailing Mark.
2. Discharge Run.
3. Prominent Transmission Line.
4. Ocean Station Buoy (show position).
5. Lighted Obstruction.
6. Observation.
7. Line of Equal Magnetic Variation.

AERONAUTICAL SYMBOLS

RADIO FACILITIES

1. Radio Beacon (with voice).
2. Radio Beacon (without voice).
3. Non-Directional Radio Beacon (with voice).
4. Non-Directional Radio Beacon (without voice).
5. Radio Direction Finder (with voice).
6. Radio Direction Finder (without voice).
7. Radio Beacon (with voice).
8. Radio Beacon (without voice).

AIRWAY AND RADIO RANGE (AIRAL)

1. Airway (with voice).
2. Airway (without voice).
3. Radio Range (with voice).
4. Radio Range (without voice).
5. Airway (with voice).
6. Airway (without voice).
7. Radio Range (with voice).
8. Radio Range (without voice).

AIRSPACE RESTRICTED AREAS

1. Prohibited Area - Flight is prohibited except for specific activity of military or naval forces.
2. Danger, Restricted or Warning Area - Areas in which there is a hazard to aircraft.
3. Controlled Area - Areas in which there is a hazard to aircraft.

TOPOGRAPHICAL SYMBOLS

CITIES AND TOWNS

1. Metropolitan Area - NEW YORK.
2. Large City - RICHMOND.
3. City - ALBANY.
4. Small City - BIRMINGHAM.
5. Large Town - CINCINNATI.
6. Town & Village - ALBANY.

RELIEF FEATURES

1. Swamps & Marshes.
2. Mud & Tidal Flats.
3. Potholes.
4. Chert Rocks.
5. Shells, Coral, and Rocky Ledges.
6. Springs.
7. Wells & Water Holes.
8. Reefs, Coral & Rocky Ledges.

HYDROGRAPHIC FEATURES

1. Stream & River.
2. Intermittent Lakes.
3. Drainage Features.
4. Canals.
5. Flooded Areas.
6. Dry Depressions in river bed.
7. Dry Valleys.
8. Glaciers.

CULTURAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

1. Power Transmission Lines.
2. Telephone & Telegraph Lines.
3. Dams.
4. Elevators.
5. Mines and Quarries.
6. Mountain Passes.
7. Lookout Towers.
8. Ports.
9. Race Tracks.
10. Buried Wrecks.